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<p>Attached is copy for your information of letter to Admiral DeLany on designation of Mr. Douglas W. Coster as Diversion Control Officer.</p> <p>Louis W. Goodkind Chief Economic Defense Staff</p>	
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Dear Admiral DeLany:

Supplementing Mr. Leddy's reply of October 29, 1953 to your letter of October 21, 1953 concerning new procedures for the handling of cases involving the illegal shipment or diversions of strategic commodities to the Soviet bloc, may I advise you that, effective as of the opening of business on Monday, January 4, 1954, I have designated Mr. Douglas W. Coster as Diversion Control Officer for the Department of State. This designation is made in correlation with my appointment of Mr. Coster, effective also January 4, 1954, as Chief of the Economic Controls Branch of the Economic Defense Staff.

Although, as Diversion Control Officer, Mr. Coster will be the primary point of contact with reference to diversion cases, in his absence or whenever desired for other reasons, contact may be had directly with Mr. Wright, Assistant Chief of the Economic Defense Staff, or with myself. As appropriate, matters also may be taken up with the various officers in Mr. Coster's Branch of this Staff, all of whom will be actively concerned in the diversion control program.

I am also sending copies of this letter to the following members of the Executive Committee of the Economic Defense Advisory Committee for their information: CIA - [REDACTED]; Defense - Colonel Moffatt; Commerce - Mr. George; and Treasury - Mr. Fields.

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Sincerely yours,

Louis W. Woodkind  
Chief  
Economic Defense Staff

Admiral W. S. DeLany, Deputy Director  
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